

Naturalist/Adventure

Fly Fishing 101 Ages 13 & Up

Join fly-fishing experts Kevin Mock and David Wickline for this course designed for beginners and potential fly-fishers that teaches the tools and essential knowledge before you hit the water or decide to purchase equipment! Week one begins with an overview of fish species, habitats and food requirements and an introduction to casting. Week two continues with the basics of equipment (rods, reels, lines, leaders and tippets) and building the foundations of the casting stroke. Week three puts it all together with knot-tying, assembly of rod and line components, and application of casting skills. Week four finishes up with types of flies, fly selection, introduction to fly tying and casting with different types of flies. All materials are provided! Adult participants can bring a teen aged 13-17 for free! Sign up for both Fly Fishing 101 and Fly Tying 101 for a total of \$300....a \$50 discount! Register by 4/25 for May classes and 7/3 for July and August classes.

CR & NR \$200

Miller Center Room 101

Instructors: Kevin Mock & David Wickline

<u>Activity No.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
51003.203	TU	5/2-5/23	7:30-9:30 pm
51003.206	TU	7/11-8/1	7:30-9:30 pm



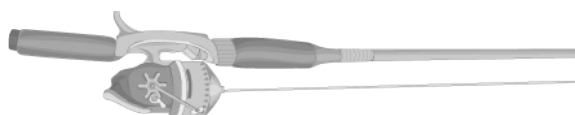
Fly Tying 101 Ages 13 & Up

Join fly fishing expert Kevin Mock for this fun, hands-on workshop, where all materials are provided! Each week covers an overview of the equipment needed for that week's fly, and how it is fished. Week one – Tying a Wooly Bugger. Week two – Tying a Nymph. Week three – Tying a Dry Fly. Adult participants can bring a teen aged 13-17 for free! Sign up for both Fly Fishing 101 and Fly Tying 101 for a total of \$300....a \$50 discount! Register by 4/27 for May classes and by 7/29 for August classes.

CR & NR \$150

Miller Center Room 101 – Instructor: Kevin Mock

<u>Activity No.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
51003.204	TH	5/4-5/18	7:30-9:30 pm
51003.209	TH	8/3-8/17	7:30-9:30 pm



FrogWatch Orientation Ages 5 & Up

Learn how to help scientists conserve frogs and toads during this hands-on training session for the National Wildlife Federation's volunteer FrogWatch Program! Register by 5/1.



Free

Miller Center Room 207 – Instructor: Laura Rogers

<u>Activity No.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
51003.202	TH	5/4	7-8:30 pm

Girl Scouts Cadettes Plant Life Ages 10 to 18

Cadettes can earn this exciting badge through hands-on activities as well as service hours as we assist "Lynchburg Grows" Urban Farm, a non-profit organization that offers food, training and educational opportunities to the community, in their greenhouse! Register by 4/28.

CR & NR \$7

"Lynchburg Grows" Urban Farm, 1339 Englewood

Instructor: Kathie Driscoll

<u>Activity No.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
56003.204	SA	5/6	1-4 pm

Homeschoolers 5-7; Pond Ponderings Ages 5 to 7

Delve deep into the mysteries of pond life during this wet, wonderful program! Dress to get wet and muddy! Meet at Peaks View Park pond. Register by 5/10.

CR & NR \$5

Peaks View Park Pond – Instructor: Laura Rogers

<u>Activity No.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
52007.201	W	5/17	10 am-noon

Not-So-Extreme Makeover: Animal Homes

Ages 8 & Up

Build a bat house to attract these marvelous mammals into your neighborhood...they'll keep your yard virtually mosquito-free! Please bring a Phillips screwdriver; "Lynchburg Grows" provides the lumber! Register by 5/5.

Free

Lynchburg Grows Urban Farm, 1339 Englewood

Instructor: Laura Rogers

<u>Activity No.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
52001.202	SA	5/13	10 am-noon

Young Naturalists Ages 6 to 8

Naturalists-in-training can join in this hands-on, active adventure! Register by 7/3.

CR \$35; NR \$50

Nature Zone – Instructor: Kathie Driscoll

<u>Activity No.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
54001.201	M-F	7/10-7/14	10 am-noon

Nature Zone Tours

Ages 3 & Up

Check out our exciting NEW location at Kemper Street Station (825 Kemper Street)! Touch a turtle, feed a toad, hold a snake...or just take in the "wild" sights of The Nature Zone during this hands-on, interactive tour for all ages! Register by 6/9 for the June tour and 7/10 for the July tour.

CR & NR \$2

Nature Zone

Instructor: Shelly Evans

<u>Activity No.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
53007.201	F	6/16	5-6 pm
53007.202	M	7/17	4-5 pm

Wildflower Hikes Ages 5 & Up

Join Bob "Sir Plants-A-Lot" Eubank at the end of Thomson Drive for a stroll to search for spring wildflowers or wildflower expert Jennifer Porter at Riverside Park for a fun, informative hike. You can see first-hand the progression of spring wildflowers along the trail, learn the names and interesting facts about different species, and treat yourself to a morning of fresh air and neat stuff! Register no later than one week before each hike.



CR & NR \$3

Blackwater Creek Natural Area & Riverside Park

<u>Activity No.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Instructor</u>
51002.204	TH	5/4	9 am-noon	Bob Eubank
51002.205	TH	5/4	9:30-10:30 am	Jennifer Porter
51002.206	TH	5/18	9:30-10:30 am	Jennifer Porter
51002.207	TH	6/1	9:30-10:30 am	Jennifer Porter
51002.208	TH	6/15	9:30-10:30 am	Jennifer Porter

Real TV – Bluebirds Ages 10 & Up

Local birder Jessica Rodgers captures resident bluebirds "Sylvia" and "Lloyd" via "birdcam" as they set up housing, prepare for their young and teach the fledglings to fly. You do not want to miss this Real TV presentation! Register by 6/13.

CR & NR \$7.00

Nature Zone – Instructor: Jessica Rodgers

<u>Activity No.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
51004.202	TU	6/20	7-9 pm





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Wee Wild Ones

Ages 3-5

Are you looking for a fun, hands-on, interactive learning experience for your little nature enthusiast? Then this program is just right! Your child will sing songs, explore live animals, enjoy puppet shows and make cool crafts during this monthly program! Call the Nature Zone at (434) 455-5828 to register!

Fun with Flowers - Through games and stories, we explore parts of a flower, discover their tricks to attract insects, and learn to grow a flower garden. Register by 4/25.



<u>Activity No.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
54003.203	TU	5/9	2-3:30 pm

Jungle Adventure - Through games and stories, we explore an imaginary jungle with real jungle creatures! We will go bananas and monkey around as we learn about delicious tropical fruit. Register by 5/22.



<u>Activity No.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
54003.204	TU	6/6	2-3:30 pm

Bug Safari - Through games and stories, we go on a bug safari, hunting down these "beautiful giants." Register by 6/27.



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54003.205	TU	7/11	2-3:30 pm

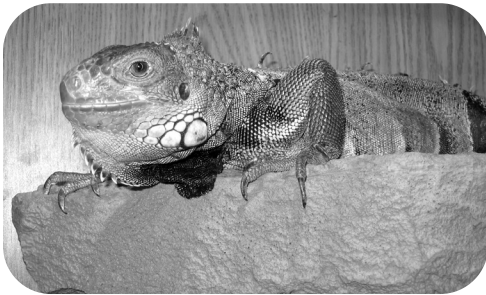
Seafaring Swashbucklers - Our wee swashbucklers learn about sea creatures through puppetry and crafts. Register by 7/25.




<u>Activity No.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
54003.206	TU	8/8	2-3:30 pm

Get Into the Zone.... The Nature Zone!


We're settled into our new home at Kemper Street Station, 825 Kemper Street, and we're happy to announce new expanded summer hours. We're still open for visits on weekdays by appointment only, but from May through August we're also open from 10 am to 4 pm every Saturday. Stop by and check out our exciting live animals, interactive touch tables, fascinating displays and friendly Naturalist staff. We'll see you at the Zone!



E. J., the iguana, prepares for her "workout" of sitting and basking all day long.




Einstein, the cockatiel, looks even more gorgeous in "person"!



Max, the opossum, doesn't do mornings!

Nature Zone Center:
(434) 455-5828

Naturalist Staff:
(434) 455-5878



Explore Lynchburg's Trails Walk...Jog...Bike...Stroll...Enjoy!

If warmer weather is calling you outdoors, why not get outside and explore our trails system?

Lynchburg boasts an extensive trails system — and we've just added a new link at Kemper Street — that connects midtown to the Blackwater Creek Bikeway at the Point of Honor trail. Many of our trails run through the Blackwater Creek Natural Area, a linear greenway which has over 300 acres of forested terrain right in the heart of Lynchburg.



Many of our parks have trails that run through them; Peaks View Park has extensive mountain bike trails as well as the fully accessible Ivy Creek Greenway. If magnificent views of the James River appeal to you, head over to the Alpine Trail in Riverside Park, or check out Jefferson Park and the Blackwater Creek Athletic Area to start a hike on the Creekside trail.

Trails system guides are available at many entrance points on the trail and at the Miller Center, 301 Grove Street, or the Kemper Street Station Parks and Recreation offices. You can also view the guides online at www.lyncburgva.gov/parksandrec. Stop by today, explore Lynchburg's trails, and remember....*Trails are great places to share!*